GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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RURAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Rural Telephone Exchanges in the country are running in rented premises;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to construct departmental buildings;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As detailed in Annexure`A`.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) As detailed in Annexure`B`.

(e) Wherever land is available, construction has been taken up/will be taken up and wherever land is not available, the department is taking steps to acquire/procure land for constructing departmental buildings.

Annexure `A`

Rural Telephone Exchanges functioning in rented buildings.

S.No	Name of Territorial Telecom Circle	Exchanges working in rented buildings
1.	Andaman and Nicobar	30
2.	Andhra Pradesh	2008
3.	Assam	310
4.	Bihar	809
5.	Haryana	729
6.	Himachal Pradesh	682
7	Gujarat	1686
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	149
9.	Karnataka	2035
10.	Kerala	563

11. Madhaya Pradesh 2128
12. Maharashtra 3142
13. Goa 57
14. Orissa 764
15. Punjab 1044
16. Rajasthan 1688
17. Tamil Nadu 87
18. UP(E) 1304
19. UP (W) 520
20. West Bengal 973
21. Calcutta 0
22. Delhi 0
23. Chennai 0
24. Sikkim 38
25. UT of Pondicherry 03
26. Arunachal Pradesh 59
27. Meghalaya 32
28. Mizoram 20
29. Manipur 14
30. Nagaland 09
31. Tripura 31

Total number of exchanges working in rented building 20,914

Annexure `B`

Departmental Buildings proposed to be constructed for Exchanges, functioning in rented buildings.

S.No Name of Territorial Telecom Circle | Number of departmental bldgs in progress or proposed to be constructed.

1. Andaman and Nicobar 2

2. Andhra Pradesh 0

3. Assam 23

4. Bihar 93

5. Haryana 35
6. Himachal Pradesh 28

7 Gujarat 1206

8. Jammu & Kashmir 0

9. Karnataka 234
10. Kerala 74
11. Madhaya Pradesh 219
12. Maharashtra 323
13. Goa 14
14. Orissa 117
15. Punjab 55
16. Rajasthan 142
17. Tamil Nadu 102
18. UP (E) 52
19. UP (W) 102
20. West Bengal 8
21. Calcutta 0
22. Delhi 0
23. Chennai 14
24. Sikkim 0
25. UT of Pondicherry 0
26. Arunachal Pradesh 18
27. Meghalaya 12
28. Mizoram 08
29. Manipur 02
30. Nagaland 07
31. Tripura 09

Total number of buildings 2899